Tom Blakely 49 Beechwood Rd. Robbinsville, NJ 08691

March 19, 2004

Marianne Abely, Esquire Office of the General Counsel Federal Election Commission 999 E Street, NW Washington, DC 20463

Re:

MUR 5026

Tom Blakely

Dear Ms. Abely:

This letter requests an additional extension of time to respond to the Federal Election Commission's reason to believe finding in MUR 5026.

I am requesting a fifteen day extension of time until April 7, 2004, to file a response. I need to the extra time to determine whether to retain counsel to represent me in this matter.

Thank you in advance for granting me this extension. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Tom Blakely